

ABSTRACT

An elliptically polarizing plate of the invention comprises a complex type scattering-dichroic absorbing polarizer including a film that has a structure having a minute domain dispersed in a matrix formed of an optically-transparent water-soluble resin including an iodine based light absorbing material; a transparent support; and an optically anisotropic layer comprising a discotic or nematic liquid crystal, wherein the molecule of the liquid crystal has an optical axis tilted with respect to a surface of the transparent support. The elliptically polarizing plate has a wide viewing angle, a high contrast, a high transmittance, and a high degree of polarization and in which uneven transmittance can be suppressed when black is displayed.